

PATENT  
Attorney Docket No. 09812.0172-00000

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of: )  
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Toru MINEYAMA et al. ) Group Art Unit: 3622  
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Application No.: 09/973,512 ) Examiner: John W. Van Bramer  
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Filed: October 9, 2001 ) Confirmation Number: 6341  
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For: SERVER OPERATIONAL )  
    EXPENSES COLLECTING )  
    METHOD, AND APPARATUS )  
    THEREFOR             )

**Mail Stop Amendment**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Sir:

**AMENDMENT**

In reply to the Office Action mailed May 27, 2009, the period for response to which extends to August 27, 2009, please amend this application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** follow the amendment section of this paper.